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of Accounts for the year ending 30th Novem-

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG OFFICE: 14, DES VUEZ ROAD, CLIFTON OFFICE: 131, FLEET STREET, E.C.

HONGKONG, 21st December, 1901.

CERTAIN remarks from our Swatow correspondent's letter which appeared in our issue of the 27th November, on the subject of "missionary interference" in that locality, were quoted on the 4th instant by the *North China Daily News*, which added that stories like this showed how necessary it was that the Roman Catholic bishops should insist on the priests abstaining from interfering, on *ex parte* complaints, in matters with which religion has no concern. Immediately after the reproduction of our correspondent's story, our Shanghai contemporary received "from a valued correspondent" a protest, in the name of the Roman Catholic clergy, against the story itself and against the general statement that the Roman Catholic clergy "will always support their adepts, even when evidently wrong, while the Protestant missionaries never interfere in the worldly concerns of their co-religionists." The *Daily News* rejoins:—"We, of course, are in no way responsible for the story, which we stated was extracted from a Hongkong paper, and our correspondent allowed that, being so far from the scene of the events, he was not in a position to deny its truth, though he felt sure it was exaggerated. As for the general statement, it is widely believed that the Protestant missionaries are more careful than their Catholic colleagues to avoid mixing themselves up in secular matters and in litigation, and the general testimony of Chinese officials confirms this belief." The Shanghai paper then goes on to point out that in our issue of the 7th instant there appears the conclusion of the story, in which it is recorded that, as the result of the Roman Catholic missionaries' interference in a dispute arising out of a collision between

two sampans, a non-Christian boatman was only released from prison after his relatives and the boatman's guild conjointly had paid \$300 compensation into the coffers of the Roman Catholic body.

It is obviously unwise, as well as unjust, for any foreign newspaper in China to circulate stories to the detriment of missions without a reasonable assurance of their genuineness, and we are convinced that there is not a journal which would so act. But it is absolutely against the best interests of the missionary body as a whole and the general reputation of foreigners in China to hush up every abuse which is caused by over-zealous propagandists. Such abuses seriously affect foreign prestige among the natives, and, as it is by giving them publicity alone that they can be checked, the only honourable course open to those who are interested in the intercourse between China and the outside world is to call attention to them as they occur. The remedy for those who are grieved at statements made in print about the occasional misdoings of the missionaries is not to contradict them without the slightest knowledge of the actual facts, but to disprove them, if possible, from investigations on the spot. In the case of the present story, we have not the slightest reason to doubt our correspondent's bona-fides, nor has any contradiction of his statement come from anyone who has a local acquaintance with the circumstances of the affair. This does not of course prove the tale true, but it certainly renders it untrue for an indiscriminating champion of missions to reject it because it does not please him. If the charge is to be met, it must be met in a very different fashion.

On the question whether one section of the missionary body working in China is more given to unnecessary interference in secular affairs than another we do not wish to dwell here. There can be no doubt that what our Shanghai contemporary says on the matter, in the passage quoted above, is substantially correct. A leading article in a recent number of the *Times* discusses the same question and comes to the same conclusion. The London paper says:—"In this respect [i.e. of interference in affairs] a distinction must, we believe, be established between the missionaries of the different Protestant denominations and those of the Roman Catholic Church." The *Times* continues:—"The claims set up by France, and more recently by Germany as 'far as Shantung is concerned, to exercise a peculiar protectorate over Roman Catholic missionaries, and indirectly even over native Roman Catholics, and the methods by which that protectorate has in certain cases been exercised, must necessarily give some colour to the charge that, under the cloak of religious propaganda, political objects have not infrequently been pursued and achieved." To a certain extent, the Roman Catholic missionaries suffer from a too careful protection by the military arm. In cases like that described by our Swatow correspondent, however, this question is not involved, and it can only be deemed highly regrettable that such incidents of uncalculated interference by the missionaries themselves in the entirely non-religious affairs of their converts should be so comparatively frequent.

At the Police Court yesterday Li Mo, a boatman, was sentenced by Mr. Kemp to three months' hard labour for having stolen seven bags of sugar in the harbour.

For having been found in unauthorised possession of three revolvers and 75 cartridges Lan Kwai, a fisherman, was at the Magistrate's yesterday sentenced to a fine of \$20, with the alternative of one month's hard labour.

This afternoon at the Happy Valley, in the first round for the Hongkong Football Challenge Shield, the Royal Engineers will play H. Company, R.W.F., the kick-off being at four o'clock. Mr. W. H. Russell will be the referee.

We are requested by the Committee of the Catholic Union to remind our readers that the grand bazaar of toys and fancy articles suitable for the festive season promoted by them takes place to-morrow afternoon from 3 to 8 in the rooms of the Roman Catholic Orphanage at Glenelg. The Committee announce that the band of the Hongkong Regiment will also be in attendance during the afternoon.

By kind permission of Lt.-Col. Ballie and Officers, the band of the 22nd Bombay Infantry will play at the Hongkong Hotel this evening from 8 to 9.30 o'clock. Programme:—

Selection... { "Reminiscences of" Winterbottom
"Les Strées" Waldfreud
"Scherzo" Fahnst
"Ailsa Mine" Newton
"Caledonia" Scott
"Scott's" Bostie
Selection "Little Christopher Columbus" Caryll
"God Save the King."

Before Mr. F. A. Hazland at the Magistrate's yesterday a broker, Leung Kwok was brought up on a charge of having on 15th June Kut forged the name of the Yuen Co. to a contract for the supply of 5,500 tons of coal to the said company from the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha and also of having altered the forged document. Mr. J. F. Reeco, solicitor, appeared for the defendant. The case was remanded until 20th instant, bail being fixed at \$2,000.

A bureau of cold storage and ice-plant has been created by the Civil Commission at Manila. It is about to establish a new steamer line to Australia and China, to which the Government will pay a subsidy of two million lire.

Messrs. W. Meyerink & Co. inform us that at the fire on the 17th inst. at 101, Wanchai Road, the Western Assurance Co. of Toronto, for which they are agents in Hongkong, was involved to the extent of \$30,000.

A number of Italian banks are to establish an Italian Bank at Shanghai, which will be entrusted by the Government with the receiving of the Italian quota of the Chinese War Indemnity. The Bank will be opened the 1st of July next year.

The *N.-C. Daily News* Peking correspondent announces the destruction by fire of the Lung Ta Sze, one of the two temples devoted to the protection of the Imperial palaces, and adds that this is regarded by some as a sign of Heaven's displeasure.

The Saigon *Opinion* gives the composition of the French commission appointed to delimit, with the assistance of a Siamese commission, the frontier of Cambodia and Siam. M. de Coulanges, French Consul at Korat, is president, and the other members are Capt. Boas of the Colonial Infantry, and Ojha Kithi Sang-Krom-Khieu, governor of Krang, province of Pursat.

Lieut.-Commr. Watson of H.M.S. *Woodcock*, who has the distinction of having carried the British white ensign on that gunboat to Kiating in Western Szechuan, 315 miles above Chungking, left Chungking on the 2nd instant by *knauts*, having handed over command of the *Woodcock* to his successor, Lieut.-Commr. H. E. C. Somerville. Lieut. Watson is a passenger on the P. & O. S. *Chusan*.

Mr. S. D. Sotna writes to us saying:—"I read in your issue of the 17th inst. that a Parsee was robbed at West Point on the 15th at about 11 p.m. and at the same time I enquired, but no Parsee was robbed or visited that quarter. Again in your issue of the 19th you state that the name of that Parsee was Sunder Dass, a Parsee tailor. Parsees never have names like Sunder Dass, and there are no Parsee tailors here. Sunder Dass is the name of a Hindoo."

Dr. Morrison, telegraphing to the *Times* from Hankow last month, said:—"I desire to record a question frequently addressed to me here. The British Government appears to be unaware that its Bluebooks are habitually read to the *Viceroys* by translators. Does the Government consider that the publication of confidential communications from friendly officials is calculated to promote frank intercourse? The unlighted Chinese, ignorant of the traditional procedure of the Foreign Office, regard it as simply a breach of faith."

Besides the 10,000 Manchuk troops, including the Imperial Guards, which accompany the Court on the return journey towards Peking, the *N.-C. Daily News* says that a private Kaifeng telegram of the 14th instant states that the Army Corps under the octogenarian, Marshal Sung Ching, numbering some 23,000 men of all arms, will march about a mile's distance on the right flank of the Imperial cortege, and the division of General Hsin Yü-hai, about 8,000 strong, will guard the progress of the Imperial Court on the left flank, keeping a regular distance en route from the vicinity of the Imperial cortege.

The following telegram dated St. Petersburg, 11th November, refers to the Russian expedition to Tibet, of which our Vladivostok correspondent recently wrote:—"Unpleasantness is no longer felt here regarding the fate of the scientific expedition under Lieutenant Kodol, which was reported some time ago to have been massacred by a band of Tibetans, as news has been received stating that the expedition left Sining-fu, which is near Lake Kokonor, on September 12 for Fushan. The expedition was escorted by Chinese soldiers, and further news has been received from the Russian Consul at Chuguchak, who had been informed by the local authorities that the party had passed through Jan-lan and Datum."

The inhabitants of Laguna, P.I., are still streaming away. Various reasons are advanced for the general flight, which, according to a Manila paper, has more of the appearance of a pilgrimage to the shrine of some divinity than a departure from a war-disturbed district. Many, no doubt, are anxious to escape a punishment they feel deserve for their treachery; others desire to escape from the scene of the struggle and general warfare, while the arrival of so many troops into the districts forbodes; while the exodus of the women and children, which, usually, is a sign of coming trouble, is claimed by them to be for the purpose of getting within the reach of supplies, a lack of which will be caused by the closing of the ports, of those provinces.

The following are the facts relating to Miss Emily Hobhouse's enforced return home from South Africa. She arrived at Cape Town on the 27th October in the *Avondale Castle*, and was refused permission to land and requested to return to England by the *Corbiere Castle* on the 30th. Miss Hobhouse declined to do so and remained on board the *Avondale Castle*, but as that vessel was remaining at Cape Town, and was proceeding a week afterwards to Mossel Bay to discharge, it was considered undesirable that Miss Hobhouse should remain on board. So, as she still declined to sail in the *Corbiere Castle* or go on board the hospital ship *Rosita Castle*, she was removed to the latter and sailed for England on the 1st November. She was permitted to see her last friends while on board the *Avondale Castle*.

An act has been passed by the U.S. Civil Commission in the Philippines that Chinese who have been absent 18 months from the islands cannot return.

"Will be worse than Samar. Military are determined to give the poor rats no quarter." This is how the *Manila Times* heads a paragraph on the extermination of rats in Manila.

A Merchants' Association is to be organised in Manila, whose object will be the advancement of the civic and commercial interests of the town. The Association will be open to all classes.

It is reported that the spinning mill which formed part of the property formerly owned by the Yailong Cotton Spinning Co. at Shanghai has been sold to Japanese purchasers for the sum of Tls. 75,000.

Frequent brushes with the insurgents are reported from the Philippines. Near Santa Cruz, Laguna, three U.S. privates were wounded. We still continue to hear of a number of renegades with the Filipinos.

The negro whom President Roosevelt appointed a justice of the peace for the district of Columbia is a graduate of Harvard and principal of the coloured high school of the district. He was vouchered for by Mr. Booker Washington, President Roosevelt's fellow-diner.

A private letter from Talyia received in Vienna last month points out the increasing weakness of British influence in Persia at a moment when her great rival Russia is using every opportunity to further her political and economic interests in that country. This unfortunate state of affairs dates from the conclusion of the Persian loan with Russia at the beginning of 1900. The Russian Government obtained a further powerful leverage by the construction, chiefly at their own expense, of the splendid road from Reht to Kasvin and the subsequent purchase of the section from Kasvin to Teheran.

The Resident-Superior at Pnompenh has informed the Chamber of Commerce there that he hopes to obtain, in the next general budget, provision for a powerful dredger, which, with the one already in the possession of the local Government, will render all the waterways navigable. He also supports the Chamber in their desire to see Pnompenh created a free port. It was recently pointed out by the Resident-Superior that Pnompenh was the port for the paddy exported from Battambang and Siemrap as well as for the paddy grown in Cambodia, and the freeing of the port would give a great impetus to trade.

The *Indian Engineer* says:—"The London School of Tropical Medicine is going strong. There is one point we should like to have cleared up: with regard to the name of the malaria mosquito could you tell us please whether they are anopheles? or, like Mephistopheles, should we say anopheles? or whether, nevertheless, it's anopheles? Further, we would suggest that enlarged coloured prints of the beast should be widely circulated, as was done in the case of the Colorado beetle some years ago. You could then offer your bearer a premium of so much a dozen, or a gross, or perhaps a 1,000 for those he could catch; taking care, however, that he did not breed them for the purpose of earning the reward—as has been done in the case of snakes." With regard to the pronunciation of anopheles, surely the derivation might have helped the *Indian Engineer*.

The *Politische Correspondenz* of Vienna last month announced that "an agreement has been concluded between England and Turkey with a view to the delimitation of their respective spheres of influence and frontiers between Yemen and Aden. A Turkish commission has already been appointed. It only awaits instructions to proceed to the locality selected for the opening of negotiations. A final settlement of the complicated situation in the *Hinterland*, it appears, scarcely anticipated. The British Governor at Aden is represented to have stated on several occasions that the existing protectorate and sphere of influence, which not only extend as far as the Turkish frontier but beyond it into the Ottoman territory of Yemen, will not be abandoned. The Turks hope, however, that the commissioners will bring about an improvement in the present state of things." The conclusion of this agreement has been confirmed.

According to the *Daily Mail* another large American manufacturing concern is seeking a foothold in Great Britain, and will within a few months establish a plant, viz.—the J. G. Brill Company, of Philadelphia. Electric cars and trucks are manufactured by the Brill Company on a large scale in America. Its works cover eighteen and a half acres near Philadelphia, and its annual output averages about 2,000 cars and 9,000 trucks. The greatest amount of the business of the English branch will be the manufacture of trucks. The moment that the site is decided upon, the company will proceed rapidly with the work of building the progress works. It is hoped by the company's representatives that they will be able to place the contracts for building and machinery very shortly. Mr. G. Martin Brill, the President of the Company, has been in the north of England negotiating for the necessary property. He was preceded by Mr. John A. Brill, the Vice-President, who inspected some land at Preston, as well as some ground in the midland and southern counties. Just before leaving America Mr. G. Martin Brill made the following statement to the *Street Railway Journal*:—"We have been considering the matter seriously for a considerable time. Some British capital will be interested in the enterprise, and, in the first instance, we propose to devote our attention to the manufacture of trucks for the British railways."

Over \$2,000 have been collected at present for the monument to Rizal, the Filipino patriot, the fund for which is being looked after by Dr. Paterno.

A large Japanese conspiracy has been discovered in Manila in connection with some houses of ill-fame there, and the local Press is urging immediate action.

The following is from a Bangkok paper:—"The case of being in illegal possession of Buddha, preferred against Mr. R. Omok, was before the Japanese Consular Court to-day, but was adjourned to a future date."

A London telegram of the 18th ult. says:—"The crew of a Dutch fishing boat in the Channel confined the captain in the cabin and then pretended to be in distress. A Ramsgate fishing smack went to their assistance; but when the smack got alongside the crew of the Dutch boat, shouting 'Long live the Boers,' boarded the British vessel, wounded several of the fishermen, and then allowed her to proceed to Ostend."

The third-class battleships *Invincible* and *Iron Duke* and the second-class battleship *Neptune* have been removed from the British Navy list because they are obsolete alike in armour and armament. The *Iron Duke* and the *Invincible* are sister ships of 6,000 tons, with an armament of 6 guns. The latter took part in the bombardment of Alexandria in 1882. The *Neptune*, which carries six guns, has a displacement of 2,910 tons.

It is reported that Mr. Sands, an American, who has been an adviser to the Foreign Department as well as to the Imperial Court of Korea, has resigned his position in the Foreign Department and confined himself to his duties at the Court office, and that M. Muhlenstedt, a Dane, who is representing the Franco-Russian influence in the Government and who is also an adviser to the Department of Communications, has filled the post vacated by Mr. Sands.

The Vienna correspondent of the *Times* last month stated that an unprejudiced foreigner who had just returned from South Africa attributed the duration of the war to the insufficient number of British mounted troops, 20 per cent. of whom are engaged in army attendance duties. The *Times* estimates of their strength in September, was 12,000 men in the field and an equal number in reserve in the fastnesses. The foreigner stated that it was to the interest of the Boers not to move large bodies of men. He added that the Boers ought to be permanently excluded from territory where there are goldmines, as the enemy is powerless when deprived of gold.

Reuters' correspondent at Washington wrote on the 18th ult.:—"With reference to the negotiations which are at present going on between Great Britain and Nicaragua, inquiry in well-informed quarters has elicited that the treaty with Nicaragua enabling the former to British Government is seeking to negotiate a retro from all claim to jurisdiction over the Mosquito Coast, leaving to Nicaragua full sovereignty, with full guarantees for the proper treatment of the Indians who have hitherto been under British protection. The United States Government has taken no action in the matter, but it is, of course, to its interest that some such absolute recognition of the sovereignty of Nicaragua should be made and that the pending questions arising out of the Treaty of Managua should be got out of the way. The fact is that, instead of acquiring any new privileges on the Mosquito Coast, Great Britain is relinquishing those which she now possesses."

ENGINEERS' AND SHIP-BUILDERS' BALL.

The annual Ball of the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders of Hongkong took place last night in the City Hall and was a pronounced success. The weather unfortunately was not favourable, for the rain which had prevailed during the two preceding days still continued, but notwithstanding that there was a large attendance the company numbering about 400. The suite of halls was prettily decorated for the occasion. The staircase was decked with greenery and cut flowers, and on the first landing was displayed the emblem of the Institution, set off with electric lights. St. George's Hall and half of St. Andrew's Hall were available for the dancers, the remaining half of the latter being devoted to the purposes of a supper room. Card tables and a bar were also provided. The guests were received in the ante-room by Mr. W. Ramsay, the acting President. Dancing commenced at nine o'clock and continued until an early hour this morning. The opening set was taken part in by Mrs. Ewing, Mr. Gillies, Mrs. Bridger, Mr. Jack, Mrs. Lambert, Mr. Everall, Mrs. Hagen, and Mr. Mitchell. Music was supplied by the band of the 22nd Bombay Infantry. All the arrangements were admirably carried out, thanks to the exertions of Mr. G. F. Miller, Hon. Secretary, and Mr. H. B. Bridger, Chairman of the managing Committee. Besides those gentlemen already mentioned the following were also to a large extent responsible for the success which attended the Ball: Messrs. A. Bain and J. W. Kinghorn (Vice-presidents), Mr. D. Gillies and Captain A. Tillett (hon. members), Messrs. W. C. Jack, E. C. Willis, J. MacDonald, E. O. Murphy, and D. McDonald (members of Council), Messrs. J. B. Macle, A. G. Ewing, J. B. Macle, F. J. Price, J. Logan, J. I. Anderson, G. J. B. Sayer, J. Lambert, R. W. Dale, A. Ritchie, W. G. Winterburn, W. M. Everall (Hon. Treasurer), T. W. Robertson (Hon. Librarian), and M. Collins (Manager). The duties of masters of ceremonies were ably performed by Messrs. A. Bain, E. O. Murphy, and J. Lambert.

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TELEGRAMS.

REUTERS' SERVICE.

LONDON, 18th December.

PEACE PROSPECTS IN SOUTH AFRICA.

The correspondent of the *Daily News* at Heidelberg, Southern Transvaal, states that a feeling prevails that the war will be over in two months. It is rumoured that Commandant Delarey wishes to surrender. Boer prisoners say that hostilities will cease on the 22nd instant.

TEA-GROWING IN THE TRANSCAUCASUS.

The British consul at Batoum reports unfavourably on the prospects of the tea industry in the Transcaucasia.

LONDON, 18th December.

SOUTH AFRICA—KRITZINGER'S ADJUTANTS WOUNDED.

Commandant Kritzinger's two adjutants and three others were wounded in the fighting which resulted in the capture of the Commandant.

THE "ST. DAVID" MANSLAUGHTER CASE.

On the 20th May last we wrote to the effect that a certain George Henry Barrow, after serving a period of fifteen years' imprisonment in Victoria Gaol, was to be restored to liberty in a few days' time. This statement was based upon information received at the time and we had no reason to doubt its correctness. It now turns out that Mr. Barrow was released only on the 16th inst., and not in May, as we anticipated. As some surprise seems to have been occasioned by this, we have made enquiries, and find that the prison regulations bear that at the end of 15 years, the prisoner's case shall be submitted to the Governor for consideration as to remission of sentence; this was done in the above case. But it does not necessarily follow that the Governor will make an order for the prisoner's release at that or any other time.

The circumstances of this case, which created no little sensation at the time, were related in our issue of the 20th May: Barrow was steward on board an American sailing ship the *St. David*, and on Sunday evening, 18th April, 1889, while that vessel was lying in the Harbour discharging kerosene oil from New York, a brawl took place on the after-part of the deck. The captain was on shore at the time, and an argument arose between the second mate, steward, and cook. Later on the second mate, finding the steward quarrelling with the cook in consequence of an order given by the former 'took umbrage, as he was in charge of the ship at the time and he considered that all orders should have come from him. He therefore interfered, upon which Barrow, used threatening language towards him. During the course of the evening the quarrel was renewed, and Barrow, who was said to be in a state of great excitement, came on deck. The cook took the officer's part, and knocked him down. Getting up again, Barrow went to his cabin, armed himself with his revolver, and again came on deck, when he fired three shots at the second mate, one of which struck him in the abdomen, and another in the chest. Barrow was arrested and brought before Mr. E. Mackean at the Police Court. He was formally committed for trial, and at the Sessions Mr. Leach, who was instructed by Messrs. Wotton and Deacon, appeared for the prisoner, and produced an affidavit on his behalf from Capt. Frost of the *St. David*, and another from the then U.S. Consul, Col. Withers, together with several certificates of character. His Lordship the Chief Justice, in passing sentence, said he had considered the prisoner's previous character as shown by the affidavits produced, but human life must be protected and he felt that he would fail in his duty did he not pass the heaviest sentence the law awarded—that was, that the prisoner be sentenced to penal servitude for the rest of his natural life. Barrow's release after fifteen years' and seven months' imprisonment is due to his general good conduct and his gallantry in several outbreaks among the more recalcitrant of his fellow-prisoners.

CRICKET.

The Hongkong Cricket Club will play two matches to-day. In the first, which takes place on the Cricket ground at 11 a.m. a Club XI will play a team from St. John's Cathedral Choir, when the following will be the teams:—Hongkong Cricket Club: Messrs. Goldring, Knight, R.N., Edmundson, R.A., Burke, 22nd B.I., Wild, Maj. Battanaham, A.S.C., Capt. Rotherham, R.W.F., Chater, Broadbent, R.N., Howard, and J. Brown (Capt.). St. John's Cathedral Choir: Messrs. Arthur, Grimbles, Emmett, Hays, Grant Smith, G. P. Lammer, D. A. Lammer, Auld, E. Hagen, Marshall, W. Hagen, Baber, Ford, A. Cunningham and A. G. Ward (Capt.). In the other match at the Happy Valley at 2 p.m. a Club team will meet the Royal Engineers, when the following will play for the Club:—Messrs. Burnie, Cox, Gray, Wood, R.N., Hooper, Hanson, Robertson, Rutherford, Wheeler, A. N. Othor, and T. Sercombe Smith (Capt.).

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OUT OF DOORS IN BORNEO.

[FROM A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.]

Labuan, Borneo.

North Borneo does not seek fame as a hunting resort. Other lands which possibly offer no more are quite welcome to that distinction. Government just now is interested in drawing settlers, not in securing them off. It has set forth such stringent game laws that prudent residents, lest they risk fine or imprisonment, or both, usually avoid the subject. When some of the dreams of the country come true, and prosperity creates a leisure class, there ought to be a well-developed preserve for the pleasure of dukes and others who like to hang their halls with tusks, skins, and horned skulls. There is deer in plenty, the rhinoceros has here a habitat, every district is traversed by herds of elephants, and all manner of tropical birds and animals abound. At present it is permissible to speak in public only of shooting crocodiles, boa constrictors, and stray dogs.

A letter from an American officer recently visiting the east side of the island is now shown to some of the friends he made who may be trusted with a secret, in which he confesses that he came to Borneo to shoot an elephant and succeeded. Knowing that his service in the Philippines was about over, he obtained a month's leave. At Sandakan he made the acquaintance of the manager of a tobacco estate up the Kinabatangan River, whose guest he became. He led a free life on the estate and reported no special adventure while he remained. His letter came from Manila, as he was about to sail for the United States. It says that, although he often heard elephants trumpeting and always went after them, he had no luck until the day before that for his departure. That day he found fresh tracks. Following them for several miles from the plantation, he came upon about a dozen elephants, among them a fine bull. The animals did not hear him and he got a well-aimed shot at the bull. The others in the herd stampeded, but the bull, after stumbling round for a moment, made a rush directly at him. He was ready for it, and it fell almost at arm's length, with a bullet in its brain. The officer says that he intended to get a native servant and one or two men and go back that afternoon for the tusks. Plans of the hunt interfered. He said nothing of the adventure, for fear the hunt might not feel quite right over his having made that use of his hospitality, and supposing that the most might be saved trouble if he knew nothing of it. He wanted the tusks so badly, however, that on his return to Manila he decided to make full confession and say that he would be most glad to pay for any trouble in securing the tusks, if men could be sent out to get them. He described as well as he could where the shooting occurred. Men who went out found no trace of a carcass, while the officer thought ought to make itself noticeable, as he soberly judged the bull to be about seven feet tall, although when it was rushing at him it looked as big as a house. At about this time, curiously, a pair of elephant tusks, each six feet long, reached the Sandakan customs, for sale or shipment. A Chinese trader from Semporna said he had got them from a native, who had found a dead elephant. The tusks were specially fine ones, and the trader expected to sell them for ten shillings per catty. They weighed 55½ catties, nearly 44 pounds, and at the trader's price would yield 275 local dollars, from \$130 to \$185 gold. The animal from which they came must have been taller than seven feet, but it may be that the officer chose to keep well within bounds in the estimate in his letter. A record at Sandakan, apparently authentic, tells of tusks each 32 inches long which came from an elephant nine feet seven inches tall.

Everybody has experience with crocodiles. They make some of the streams dangerous for small boats. It is not uncommon for a crocodile to steal up behind a boat containing several natives, lift a paddler out by the arm, and make off with him. There is no use in looking a crocodile straight in the eye, expecting him to back away. He has never heard of that surprise of cowering lions and tigers; and besides he likes to do things his own way. A native surprised by a crocodile is said to fall instantly under the sort of spell that a snake casts over a bird, becoming utterly powerless to move or to cry out. The crocodile may indulge his appetite piecemeal or in bulk. So far as may be judged, the natural preference of this destroyer was for Boobyodopy, upon which it fastened and improved its breed for generations, until the normal adult crocodile length became twenty feet, with a stroke of five horse power per foot in its tail. Of late, like the rest of the world, it has become accustomed to Chinese and will not willingly do without it. Weariness of mortal strife, in Chinese Boobyodopy, Dusun, Dayak or any other human species, may always find sure and quick relief within reach of a crocodile's tail, or by looking him in the eye. The eye is the place to look, indeed, if one is unfriendly, for a ballet there makes subsequent proceedings *post mortem*.

When the government recently announced that all dogs must be licensed and tagged, or shot, the sympathy to be expected for a dog where Englishmen live found frequent and general expression. One story went the rounds which pleaded in the dog's behalf that he could outwit the crocodile. In substance the story was that when a dog wished a day in the country, he always arranged for plenty of company. On reaching a stream, all the dogs would gather close together on the bank and make all the noise they could. Every crocodile within hearing, his mouth a-water, would hasten to the spot. When the meeting became full, the dogs would suddenly scatter down the bank for a few hundred yards and swim the stream safely while the delegation of crocodiles sat wondering what it all meant. The dogs returned home by the same device at another part of the stream. That scheme worked as

often as the dogs decided on a picnic, the crocodiles never seeming able to see the joke or to circumvent it. When some sceptic called for the documents on this story, it came out that the original narrator might have been quite truthful. Dogs do kick up a racket at the banks of streams, for the purpose of drawing crocodiles to that spot; but they do it at the bidding of their masters, the natives, and scamper away after them to a place in the stream where they may all plunge in together and cross in safety. The laugh is on the crocodiles at any rate, and the dogs certainly do their part in putting it there.

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The crocodile is a good dog-catcher, in spite of the tricks that dogs play by their barking, and is specially partial to wild hounds, which is also allowable game for man. Neither dog nor bear seems to know enough to recognise the difference between a log of wood on the bank of a stream and a crocodile playing possum there. They have no time to know anything after one swish of the crocodile's tail or one snap of its jaws.

(To be continued.)

CORRESPONDENCE.

[We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions expressed by our correspondents.]

RATS AND PLAGUE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS,"
Hongkong, 20th December.

Sir,—Will you kindly permit me to say a few words with regard to rats and plague through the medium of your paper. It is the general belief that rats have a certain connection with plague, and consequently in order to check plague it is the intention of the Sanitary Board to exterminate rats. But I say it is not so; what we ought to do is to clean the drains and sewers, which is the only means to check it. The mere extermination of rats cannot do any good. We must know that rats live under the ground, where they inhale the bad air and die. Now, if the air there is strong enough to kill the rats it is of course not healthy to the inmates round about. Perhaps it is not known that while cleaning the drains and sewers during the night a very offensive smell springs up (especially in Queen's Road), which is harmful to public health. During the plague season it may be recollected that plague subsided considerably after a heavy fall of rain. I therefore beg to say that the only thing that could prevent plague is the constant washing of the drains, etc., and in order to do this I would suggest that engines should be constructed at various parts of the colony to suck up sea water for the purpose. Thanking you for the insertion of this—
Yours, etc.,
A. RESIDENT.

A system of house erection is said to have been tried and proved successful. Instead of building brick by brick, the structures are formed by pouring a kind of cement between moulds. When it has set the moulds are removed, leaving the house standing in one solid piece.

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THE AMOK CASE AT TIENTSIN.

The *China Times* of the 10th inst. gives the following details of the above affair.—
A deplorable affair, resulting unfortunately in the death of two German and four Indian soldiers, and in injury to others, took place in Tientsin yesterday afternoon. An Afrikaner of the 14th Punjab Infantry, who had had a quarrel with another man of his regiment, had been on guard, and on his being relieved, shot his enemy dead. Losing his senses, he shot and killed another man of the P.I. He wounded a third man, and next fired at the jemadar adjutant of his regiment, but missed. It was late in the afternoon, and had grown dusk. The murderer hid, and entered the German extra concession. The Indian Guard had given pursuit, but part of them stopped, six or seven continuing the pursuit. A German Guard also turned out, and the fugitive fired on them, killing two and wounding a third. In the darkness and owing to the impossibility of the Indians making themselves understood, the Germans mistook the situation and after shooting the murderer opened fire on the Indian guard, killing one or two of the P. I. men, and wounding three others. After a good deal of firing and confusion, order was restored, and the wounded men were picked up. Deep regret is felt on all sides at this extraordinary and disastrous outcome of a madman's freak. Although it seems remarkable that the German guard should open fire on the Indian Guard, the darkness of the evening and the excitement over the murder of their men doubtless explain the blunder. British officers, and native Indian officers as well, deeply regret that Germans should have fallen victims to the madman's rifle, and feel this more keenly than loss of life on the part of their own men. The German and Indian troops have never had any disagreement and have always been on amicable terms, when they have come into contact. One of the Germans who fell was a privy-master (quarter-master-sergeant) who was killed in a bakery by a stray shot entering the building.

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Messrs. Vernon & Smyth say in their weekly share report, dated Hongkong, 20th December:—
"Quietness continues to prevail in our market, and there are but few material changes in our quotations to report."

BANKS.—Hongkong and Shanghai have ruled steady with small sales at \$620, our closing notation. The London rate has declined to \$62. 1/2. National and Bank of China unchanged.

MARINE INSURANCE.—Unions continue in request at \$342 1/2. China Traders have been placed at \$53. North China are wanted at \$18. 1/2. Cantons and Yangtze continue on offer at \$155 and \$130 respectively.

FIRE INSURANCE.—Hongkong have sold at \$365. Chinese continue in demand at \$360.

SHIPPING.—Canton and Macao have been placed and have further buyers at \$36. Indo China have sold at \$145 cash, \$148 for March delivery, and \$152 June. China Manilla have been done at \$62 1/2, \$62, and are now obtainable at \$61. Douglass are quiet at \$47 with a few shares to be obtained at the rate. China Mutuals and Star Ferries are unchanged and without business. Shell Transports are wanted at \$215.

REVENUE.—China Sugars have sold at \$155 cash and for the settlement, and are still obtainable. A sale for April delivery at \$160 1/2 is reported. Luscious continue in request at \$26.

MINING.—Punjab have further declined to \$5, at which, however, there are buyers. Charbonnages have improved to 4375 with buyers. Rauba are weaker again with sellers at 410. Jalabas are unchanged.

DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks have ruled steady with sales at \$232 and \$230 for the settlement, and further sales are obtainable at the latter rate. For March delivery sales are reported at \$3. 0. Hongkong and Kowloon Wharves have declined to \$84 sd/r, and slightly less would probably be accepted for one or two small lots in the market for sale. New Amoy Docks are wanted at the improved rate of \$27.

LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.—Hongkong, Lands continue on offer at \$195 without finding buyers. Kowloon Lands are wanted at \$34. West Point are unchanged at \$65 sellers. Hongkong Hotels are obtainable at \$138. Offices are quiet at \$66. Chinese Estates have sold, and there are further shares to be had, at \$14.

COTTON MILLS.—Ewas have sold in the north at \$12. 42. Soy Chees from latest Shanghai reports have changed hands at the reduced rate of \$15. 150. Hongkong Cottons have sold at \$13.

MISCELLANEOUS.—Manila Investments have declined to \$13 sellers. Electric (old) are to be put at 415, and the new shares at \$36. "Trade ways" have further improved to \$240 buyers. Line Providents are still in request at \$93. Powells have sold at \$91. Tobacco Trust have improved to \$52 with sales. Other stocks under the head unchanged.

MEMO.—Hongkong High-Level Tramways Co., Ltd., ordinary general meeting on the 27th instant, trans. n books closed from to-day. The Star Ferry Co., Ltd., notice that to-day the price of 25 first-class punch tickets will be \$24, and that from the 1st January the first-class single fare will be raised to 15 cents.

THE IMPERIAL CADET CORPS IN INDIA.

A Calcutta despatch, dated December 3, says:—Since the sanction had been received for the creation of the Imperial Cadet Corps, measures have been actively proceeding for its constitution and commencement. Colonel Sir Parthab Sing, of Jodhpur, has accepted the position of Honorary Commandant of the Corps, and Major W. A. Watson, Central India Horse, lately Deputy Assistant Adjutant General for Instruction, has been appointed Commandant, and the remaining officers are a British Adjutant, Captain I. Cameron, Central India Horse, recently Garrisoned to the Nawab of Jaora, and a Native Adjutant, Tikur Dip Singh, Commandant, Bikaner Camel Corps. Out of the large number of applicants for admission from all parts of India the Viceroy has selected as the first batch of cadets four ruling chiefs, viz., the Maharajahs of Jodhpur and Kishangarh, the Nawab of Jaora, the Raja of Bikaner, and thirty others chosen from the princely or aristocratic families, the majority of whom have been educated at one of the Chiefs' Colleges, the education at which will, with rare exceptions, be made the basis of future selection, and it is contemplated by the Viceroy to introduce such modifications into the organization and curriculum at these Colleges as will better enable them to fulfil this object. The winter camp of the Corps is now being arranged for at Meerut and the first course of instruction will begin this cold season. Living in camp will be simple and the discipline strict, close attention being paid to caste rules. The instruction will be so designed as to enable the pick of the cadets to take their places as British officers while never losing their character and bearing as Indian gentlemen. The Viceroy will inspect the Corps next April and the cadets will form a conspicuous feature in his escort at the Proclamation Durbar at Delhi on the 1st January, 1903.

BRITAIN, RUSSIA, AND INDIA.

Most people believe that the real strain and danger between the Russian and British Empires lies in India. The intention of Russia to invade India has been for generations an accepted commonplace, due probably most of all to the idea expressed in Sir Henry Rawlinson's remark that "anyone who traces the movements of Russia towards India on the map of Asia cannot fail to be struck with the resemblance which these movements bear to the operations of an army opening parallels against a beleaguered fortress." This is very true, but it must be remembered, first, that some of these movements date back a considerable time, when the situation of Russia in the world of politics was very different from what it is to-day; and second, that in many of these movements commercial development was beyond question the chief, if not the sole, aim—an aim which, be it added, results abundantly justifying. This question of Russia's views with regard to India has been present to my mind in every conversation I have ever held with a Russian whose opinion was worth hearing, and after long consideration I have come to the conclusion that the invasion of India is not seriously contemplated by either Russian statesmen or Russian soldiers. The high regard which the Russian people have for the Russian Empire, and the fact that every Russian officer up to the rank of colonel believes firmly that the invasion of India is possible, probable, and desirable, while everyone above the rank of colonel has learned that as a military operation it is practically impossible, and that as a political move it would be the climax of folly. In Central Asia almost every Russian knows to a month or two when he will get his marching orders for Kabul—the time is generally close at hand. It is no longer a secret. The truth is, in my opinion, that Russia regards her position on the Indian frontier as a lever to bring pressure to bear, whenever necessary, upon England. If the relations between the two countries grow strained beyond a certain point you hear of troops from the Caucasus crossing the Caspian; if the situation gets worse you learn the precise number of troops of all arms gathered at Kishinskiy Post on the Afghan frontier; if a serious capture occurs, you are about to hear, I should expect the Russians to seize Herat—which they could do at any time. After that there could be peace or war all round. But the notion of invading India to annex it and administer it does not form part of any Russian plan. It would, from every point of view, be far beyond Russia's means, considering the vast task she has assumed and the vast aims she cherishes in other parts of the world. Finally, this is Russia's eyes at the El Dorado of the world, she sees that, problems of finance and population are assuming very grave dimensions there; she realises what the strain of administering India is likely to be for England in years to come; she has not the least desire to add that burden to the many she has already assumed. And one word more—a little prophecy: I venture to say that before long she will give England and the world a striking piece of evidence that she is harbouring no designs against that part of the British Empire.

Lieut. Col. I hold that India offers no insurmountable or even serious obstacle to a solid and friendly understanding between England and Russia, covering all issues where their national interests appear now to be at variance. —Mr. Henry Norman in *Scribner's Magazine*.

TITLES OF FOREIGN LAND-HOLDERS IN JAPAN.

The Tokyo correspondent of the *Times* wrote at the end of September:—
The Japanese Government, after considerable delay, has legislated in such a manner as to remove all solicitude about the titles of foreign landholders in the former settlements. This question had been causing anxiety from the time when the revised treaties went into operation. It was in truth an affair of terminology only, though much greater importance has come to be attached to it in the eyes of the foreign residents. The titles were described in the original treaty as "perpetual leases" and the revised treaty provided explicitly for the confirmation without any change. That seemed quite plain and simple, nor was any difficulty anticipated. But when the new treaty went into force the Japanese Government did not find things quite so easy as had been expected. In the first place, in order to bring these titles within the purview of the law Courts, registration was essential. In Japan there are no titles deeds. Their place is taken by entries in the registers. But such a form of tenure as the "perpetual lease" did not exist under the Japanese code, as they stood at the time when the revised treaty became operative, and consequently such a form of tenure could not be entered in Japanese registers without specially enabling legislation. Parliament, however, was not sitting at the time, and it thus appeared to the Government that the simplest way of dealing with the matter was to issue an ordinance providing for registration as "superficies" qualified by the words "perpetual lease" in brackets. "The registers were thus opened for the desired purpose. But the foreign landholders were not at all satisfied. It seemed to him that his title was disturbed by the new arrangement. He did not like the idea of "superficies." A superficies, of which the term is not fixed, may become terminable by order of a law Court on application from the owner, and though there need not have been any apprehension that the Japanese Government, which owns the lands leased to foreigners, would invoke the aid of the law to deprive the purpose of violating the treaties, the average foreigner saw no reason why the good faith of the Japanese Government should be brought into the question at all. He thought that he ought to have exactly what the treaties provided, neither more nor less—namely, "perpetual lease" without any qualification in brackets or out of brackets. It sounds a paltry matter, but in reality it had considerable importance, for in all transactions inland within the former settlements were suspended pending some arrangement for registering the titles in a manner approved by purchasers or mortgagees.

There was also another difficulty. Japanese subjects have to pay a fee for registering transactions in land, and the Japanese Government saw no valid argument against collecting a similar fee from foreigners; for although the revised treaty exempts the settlement lands from all new tax, a registration fee does not fall within the category of taxes. Here again the foreigner objected strenuously. He declared that the spirit of the treaty would be violated were transactions in land added with any new charge whatever, whether tax or fee. Doubtless the Japanese Government would have done better had it seized the earliest opportunity to obtain Parliamentary sanction for altering the registers so as to throw them open to "perpetual leases." But the Government hesitated for two reasons. First, it did not regard the objection of the foreign landholders as insuperable, especially as their view was not shared by the British Representative; and secondly, it entertained some doubts about the

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Hongkong, 17th December, 1901.

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temper the Diet would display towards the question. Thus the 1899-1900 session of the Diet was suffered to pass without any action, and not until March, 1901, was a Bill submitted to the Houses. The Government then commanded a majority in the Lower Chamber, and had no trouble in getting the measure passed there. But the Peers required some manipulation, and for a moment the issue seemed dubious. Happily, however, the consent of both Chambers was finally obtained. Then, however, ensued an unexpected delay. The framing of regulations for giving effect to the new law was found to present many perplexing points and to demand careful consideration, so that only now, after an interval of nearly six months, has the Government been able to promulgate the law with the accompanying regulations, which are of considerable length and indicate that minute attention was bestowed on their drafting. It is unnecessary and would be wearisome to enter into particulars. The sum of the matter is that the perpetual leases can henceforth be registered as such, and that all registration fees, whether for transfers or mortgages, are remitted.

There is one interesting point which deserves brief notice. The new law provides that the lands within the former settlements may be sold to Japanese subjects, but that the latter shall then become owners, not perpetual leasees. In short, the Japanese Government, while fully recognizing the titles that foreigners have acquired under the treaties, declines to extend those titles to its own subjects in defiance of the spirit of its codes. There is some disposition on the side of foreigners to resent this action. They claim that the value of their lands is reduced thereby, since the market is narrowed. But that contention depends, it will be observed, on the hypothesis that a perpetual lease is more valuable than ownership, a proposition which can scarcely be reconciled with the frequently heard complaint that the foreign lease is less favourably situated than the Japanese owner in the matter of taxes on land.

CHURCH SERVICES.

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.

December 22nd, 4th Sunday in Advent.

Matins (11 a.m.)
Responses, Psalms; Venite, Droce; Psalmus, Crucis, Poland and Taylor; Benedicite, Mander in F; Jubilate, Ayrton in E; Hymns, 45, 353, and 202.

Evangelium (3.45 p.m.)
Responses, Psalms; Psalmus, Russell, Smart, and Go denough; Magnificat, Osakeley in D; Nunc Dimittis, Kewley in D; Hymns, 193, 53, and 49; Vesper Hymn, Ward (No. 1); voluntaries, Allegro, Smart; Religious and Berne, Johnson.

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Matins (11 a.m.)
Hymn, 4; Venite, Burrows; Te Deum, Goss; Benedictus, Trent; Hymns, 66, 16, and 70. Evensong (6.30 p.m.)
Magnificat, Jones; Nunc, Macfarren; Hymns, 385, 29, 16, and 53, S.H.

Holy Communion.
The Mission launch *Deceywing* will call on the ships between 9.15 and 10.30 a.m. and between 5.30 and 6 p.m. (Kewloon, 10.30 and 6) to bring men ashore to the services; returning afterwards. The "Answering Penitent" may be hoisted.

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Thursday—General Bible Class, 6 p.m.
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THERE will be a SPOON COMPETITION TO-DAY (SATURDAY), the 21st instant, 1901, commencing at 2.45 p.m. Ranges—200, 500 and 600 yards. Seven Shots and a Sighter at each Range.

ALEX. MACKENZIE,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 21st December, 1901. [31]

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Captain Roach, will be despatched for the above port TO-MORROW, the 22nd inst., at DAYLIGHT.

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Hongkong, 20th December, 1901. [3258]

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"HAICHING."
Captain Davis, will be despatched for the above ports on TUESDAY, the 24th inst., at 9 A.M.

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DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 20th December, 1901. [3258]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

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Captain Rolfe, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 27th inst., at 4 p.m.

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All damaged packages must be left in the Godowns, and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Co. within ten days after the steamer's arrival, after which no claims will be recognized.

MCGREGOR BROS. & GOW.
Hongkong, 20th December, 1901. [260]

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, MOJI AND SHANGHAI.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

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Hongkong, 20th December, 1901. [11]

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THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction,
TO-DAY (SATURDAY),
the 21st December, 1901, at Noon, in his
Sales Rooms, Duddell Street,
A Private Collection of
JAPANESE CURIOS,
Comprising—
VERY FINE IVORY FIGURES and
NETSUKE, OLD PORCELAIN and
SATSUMA WARE, OLD LACQUER
VASES, PLATES and BRACKETS,
SWORDS, BRONZES, &c.;
VERY FINE SILK EMBROIDERED
TEMPLE HANGINGS, BROCADE and
SILK COATS and SKIRTS, &c.
On view from to-day.
TERMS:—Cash on delivery.
GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 20th December, 1901. [3256]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction,
FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,
TO-DAY (SATURDAY),
the 21st inst., at 12 O'CLOCK NOON, at their
Sales Rooms, 20, Des Vaux Road Central,
25 Pieces BROCADED SILKS OF
VARIOUS PATTERNS and COLOURS.
Special attention is called to the above, as they are of choice designs suitable for Ladies' Dresses, &c.;
and
A Large Assortment of LEATHER HAND and TRAVELLING BAGS, IVORY CARVINGS, &c., &c.
On View from To-day until time of Sale.
TERMS:—As usual.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 19th December, 1901. [3240]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction,
FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,
TO-DAY (SATURDAY),
the 21st inst., at 2.30 P.M., at his
Sales Rooms, Queen's Road,
GENTLEMEN'S SUIT LENGTH;
LADIES' DRESS MATERIALS;
JACKETS, TRIMMED and UNTRIMMED HATS, RUFFLES, GLOVES, TRIMMINGS, &c.;
BLANKETS and TOWELS;
&c., &c., &c.
TERMS OF SALE:—As Customary.
V. I. REMEDIOS,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 19th December, 1901. [3236]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction,
TO-DAY (SATURDAY),
the 21st December, 1901, commencing at
2.30 P.M.,
A LARGE VARIETY OF FANCY GOODS,
Comprising—
PARISIAN BRONZES, FANCY
CLOCKS IN MARBLE and BRONZE, &c.;
ELECTRO-PLATE WARE, STATUETTES, MIRRORS, LEATHER GOODS, FANCY WORK BOXES, SMOKING SETS, LIQUEUR SETS, JARDINIERS, VASES, CENTRE-PIECES, DRESSEN PORCELAIN and Various other Goods;
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GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 18th December, 1901. [3208]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from the Official Administrator, to Sell by Public Auction,
FOR ACCOUNT OF THE ESTATE OF
CHEUNG TAI SI (deceased),
on
MONDAY,
the 23rd inst., at 11 A.M., at CAUSEWAY BAY, the Steam Launch
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HUGHES & HOUGH,
Government Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 16th December, 1901. [3187]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction,
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MONDAY,
the 23rd December, 1901, commencing at 2.30 P.M., at his Sales Rooms,
Duddell Street,
A FINE COLLECTION OF JAPANESE PORCELAINS and CLOISONNES,
Comprising—
MAKUDZU VASES, INCENSE BURNERS, and CUPS and SAUCERS, SETO BLUE and WHITE HAND-PAINTED VASES, EGG SHELL TEA-SSETS, VARIOUS DESIGNED VASES, DISHES, WALL-PLATES, &c., &c.;
Some very fine Specimens of CLOISONNE VASES, SILVER GROUND and SILVER INLAID, and CLOISONNE BUCKLES.
TERMS:—Cash on delivery.
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GEO. P. LAMMERT,
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NOTICE OF FIRM

NOTICE

FROM this date, Mr. HO YUK LAU is no longer in my employ as Comptroller. I am not responsible for any Contracts entered into by him on my behalf.

Messrs. LAU KUK CHAU and IP LAN CHUEN have this day been appointed COMPTROLLER to my Firm, and are responsible for all future dealings.

A. M. ESSABHOY,
Hongkong 13th December, 1901. [3212]

HOTEL

Extracts from "BOA VISTA" Visitors' Book

Everything most comfortable.
Food good and nicely cooked.
Everything supplied for comfort.
The most attractive spot and very best hotel I have seen in China.

Delighted with our visit. Too charming for words.

We have spent the happiest hours of our lives at the "Boa Vista" Hotel.

Delighted with hotel and Macao.
An ideal place for a quiet holiday.

"Boa Vista" is by a long way the best Hotel in the East. We cannot strongly enough recommend this first-class house.

Food and attendance excellent, bed-rooms comfortable, scrupulous cleanliness throughout. For our desires of a few days' rest and quiet recuperation, a beautiful ideal establishment.

Most pleasant retreat for one either in good or bad health.

Qual charmant petit endroit ce sera pour le repos de nos fatigues.

Ravissant Hotel.

A charming place.
The best Hotel I have found in the Orient. [3165]

THE REGISTRATION OF TRADE MARKS ORDINANCE, 1898.

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF TRADE MARK.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that LEA AND PERRINS of Worcester, England, have on the 7th day of SEPTEMBER, 1901, applied for the registration, in Hongkong, in the Register of Trade Marks, of the following TRADE MARK:—The words LEA AND PERRINS in the name of LEA AND PERRINS who claim to be the Sole Proprietors thereof. The TRADE MARK has been used by the applicants in respect of the following goods:—Glass Bottles in Class 15. A Facsimile of the TRADE MARK can be seen at the Office of the Colonial Secretary of Hongkong.

Dated the 19th day of October, 1901.
DENNIS & BOWLEY,
Solicitors for the Applicant.

FOR SALE.

THE Steam-launch "TUNG FAT" Built under Foreign Superintendence. Thoroughly Overhauled by Messrs. W. S. Bailey & Co., Engineers, and Certified to be in First-class Order and Condition. The Launch is fitted in European Style, suitable for towing purposes and for harbour use.

Length 63 feet, Beam 11 feet 6 inches, Depth 6 feet 3 inches in centre.

For further particulars apply to—
LAUTS, WEGENER & CO.
Hongkong, 15th October, 1901. [3619]

CHRISTMAS 1901.

THE undersigned is now prepared to supply CHRISTMAS CAKES of the best quality, weighing from 1 lb. to 20 lbs., and also Mince Pies, Assorted Cakes, &c. &c.

DORABJEE NOWROJEE,
Hongkong Bakery,
51, Des Voeux Road.
Hongkong, 7th December, 1901. [3123]

INSURANCES

TRANSATLANTIC FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG

The Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

SIEMSEN & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 16th November, 1892. [29]
THE WESTERN ASSURANCE COMPANY OF TORONTO, CANADA.
INCORPORATED 1851.
CAPITAL.....\$410,000.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

WM. MEYERINK & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 18th May, 1900. [185]

AACHEN AND MUNICH FIRE INSURANCE CO.
OF AIX-LE-CHAPPELLE.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

REUTER, BROCKELMANN & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 21st April, 1897. [14]

SUN INSURANCE OFFICE, LONDON

FOUNDED 1760.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

SIEMSEN & CO.,
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Hongkong, 16th May, 1892. [67]

"L'URBAINE"

FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LD.
(Established 1833.)

THE Undersigned, having been appointed GENERAL AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS at current rates.

P. LEMAIRE & CO.
Hongkong, 7th February, 1901. [439]

PHENIX FIRE OFFICE

The Undersigned are now prepared to GRANT POLICIES of INSURANCE against FIRE at Current Rates.

DOUGLAS LAFLAIR & CO.,
Agents for the Phoenix Fire Office.

Hongkong, 17th August, 1897. [32]

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

TOTAL FUNDS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1900, £14,732,581.

I. AUTHORIZED CAPITAL.....£3,000,000 0 0

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL.....2,750,000 0 0

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....687,500 0 0

II. FIRE FUNDS.....2,883,716 14 4

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 3rd July, 1901. [1641]

SALAMANDER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

HOTZ, JACOB & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd April, 1900. [33]

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are PREPARED to ACCEPT First Class Foreign and Chinese Risks at Current Rates.

SIEMSEN & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 28th May, 1895. [31]

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THE SPELL OF THE YARROW,

BY
"RITA"
(Author of "Dance Darden," "Ascend of the Ford," &c.).

(Continued.)

A week later Mark Lauriston stood in the meadows beyond Five Tree Farm watching the sun set on the hills.

Watching too with grave eyes and frowning brow two figures walking slowly along the path that skirts the park of Squire Sorel. The figures of a girl and a man. The light fell on the girl's pink gown, and on the sunbonnet as it flung up her arm. It struck the watcher suddenly how familiar that trick had become, how often he had teased her for never wearing her head-covering for five minutes together. How often . . . yet only a week had signed their acquaintance. Seven days, seven twilights, seven nights under the same roof. So little, yet so much. Enough to mark all the difference in his life between the morning he had first seen her, and the night when she had come after. But what was this that had come after?

The frantic pain of jealous wrath, distrust, suspicion. Something that had recognised a new light in the radiant eyes—a new meaning in flush of cheeks and drooping eyelids. Something that spoke of an intimacy pre-dating that meeting by the lych-gate, and for which the spell of the yarrow had been sought.

Jasper Sorel, the squire's son, was far too fond of coming to the farm to please Mark Lauriston. True, his father was landlord and owner of Five Tree, but that gave the son no right for so many well-received visits as the last week had known. And now they were side by side, strolling leisurely along in the spring sunset; and the man leaning over the gate, and watching that slow approach, felt his heart grow hot with sudden anger and bitterness.

All his life, fate had denied him love; the love of home, of friends. Other love he had not sought. A certain coldness and recklessness had held him remote in cheek, and his adventurous life had not brought his manhood in touch with the womanhood that claims romance as well as homage. He wondered at the charm this girl held for him.

It was new and inexplicable and uncomfortable. It made him too conscious of her personality to beat ease with her, and brought a pained flush, and a look of hurt and wondering surprise to her blue eyes when they met his own.

And so she considered herself with Jasper Sorel. Jasper, whose temper was budding and foolish, and whose looks were those of youth and good blood, and whose manners had the polish of college, and society—for the Squire's hospitality was lavish, and the Hall was always full of guests.

It was full now, and the heir had no business to be straying in the woodland lanes with the pretty niece of his father's tenant. But the policy of youth is personal and self-seeking, and takes no heed of the morrow, more especially when today holds the sorcery of bright eyes and rosy lips.

At last on figure alone appeared coming towards the house, and the gate on which Mark Lauriston leaned.

He did not move or attempt to open it. The look in his face made her heart throb quickly and expectantly. Yet the note of her voice was defiant as a challenge.

"You seem to have a fancy for barring gates," she said. "And you going to let me pass?" She looked so lovely when that sunny smile on her red lips, that he caught his breath and could find no words for once.

"Come, Mark," she entreated shyly. "Your mother will be wanting me. I am late—it is time for tea."

"Who were you with in the lane?" he asked grimly. "Someone who put all thought of the tea hour out of your head, it seems."

"What business is it of yours?" she asked defiantly.

"None—of course. Only I could give a pretty good guess. It was the Squire's son—again."

"That again?" did the mischief. Anger blazed in her eyes, and mantled her cheeks with fire. "It's but the second time this week! And why should you watch us? I have never been used to spies."

"I don't spy on you," he said coldly. "But surely you know that Jasper Sorel holds a very different position in life to yours, and that no good can come of this friendship between you."

"Let me pass," she said. "When I want your advice I will ask for it."

He drew aside and opened the gate. "Was it for him you tried the spell of the yarrow?" he asked.

The look she gave him of anger and shame commingled, made his blood tingle. With her little head held haughtily, and her little hand clenched, she marched by and entered the house. The tea-table was spread, her aunt was bustling about. The old man sat in his chair by the fire, his shaggy hands held to the blaze.

"How late you are, Mark!" exclaimed her aunt. "And why didn't Mark come in with you? I saw him but now at the gate."

"He'll be in when he wants to," she said, with a toss of her head, and all her maiden dignity in rebellion against this cool interloper.

But apparently Mark didn't "want to," for he put in no appearance at the tea-table at all. Mavis went up to her room that night in a state of mind as novel as it was uncomfortable.

She told herself she hated this newcomer with his interference in her affairs, his cold, his strange observant eyes that held so deep a glow when they met her own. Yet for all that hatred the evening had been very long and dull without him, and she found herself listening for his footstep or his voice. She was still angry, still indignant, but something vague and tender stirred beneath the anger, and made her heart beat and her eyes burn with sudden tears.

"I thought he liked me. I never guessed he could be so rude," and what did he mean about the yarrow? How could he know?"

She had forgotten about the paper she had dropped. Even now she did not remember it as she went to a drawer, and took from thence a scrap of dried weed.

"You silly thing!" she cried to it. "And after all my trouble not even a dream. It's true I didn't go to sleep. I was thinking—"

About whom she had thought, or what, she did not confess to herself. The charm had failed—that was certain—of no true love, or lover had her maiden fancy dreamt, and now— Well, she must wait a year before she could try the charm again.

She tossed the useless weed away, and then blew out her candle and went to the lattice window and set it open. Kneeling there with her elbows on the sill and her dimpled chin on the palms of her hands she watched the moonlight shining over the far hills and the quiet fields below. Watched and listened, and waited as the night deepened and the stars came out, and yet the sleep she longed for never sounded in the stillness, and what had been unrest and wonder in her heart, grew to pain and foreboding; and fear. For the night wore on, and the stars paled, and the step for which she listened never sounded on the path. "Cold and numbed"

she crept into her bed at last, and fell asleep for very weariness. The sun was shining through the window when she awoke. Awoke to daylight and memory, and a strange dull sense of something that had happened—something vague and painful. She dressed quickly, and her eyes sought the garden with glances unheeding its beauty. The careless happiness of girlhood had passed away—passed suddenly without warning. She was not conscious of any reason for the change, but the change was there, and when she went downstairs and set about her daily duties it seemed to her that a long, long space of time had elapsed since she had last performed them.

She would not enter the house till breakfast-time. If he had returned, she preferred to meet him in his mother's presence. It would be less embarrassing. But when she entered the little parlour, and saw her aunt sitting alone at the table, her heart sank within her.

"I don't know what's come to Mark," said his mother crossly. "He's not been home all night, and no word of where he's gone or why. And the work all behind, and that cattle fair at Muirtown to-day, and he was to have gone to see after some farm horses. It's a shame, but then 'twas his fancy, and all she forgotten. Did he say ought to you, Mavis?"

"No," said the girl, trying to keep her voice steady. "Do you think, aunt, anything could have happened; any accident?"

"Accident, not likely! A man that's tramped the world over, and seen all sorts of things in strange countries, doesn't meet with accidents at his own door. Where'd he go off when he parted from thee last night?"

"I don't know," he didn't say."

"Well, it's mighty queer and I don't know what to think. He seemed so content like, and sobered and helpful. I thought he was minded to stay here for good and all."

"Oh, he will come back. I'm sure he'll come back," said the girl, but her expression certainly did not bring the colour to her face, or help her to make ought but a pretence of eating her breakfast. The long hours of the day wore away and brought no word or sign from the absentee.

Near his day seemed so long, or hours so wearisome to Mavis. She wondered how her aunt could be calm and indifferent, but then she told herself Mark had never been the favourite; it was John who had taken all the love and care and thought from his older brother.

When tea was over she put on her bonnet, and saying nothing to her aunt, slipped out of the house by the back way, and went across the meadows to a little wood abutting on the main road that led to Muirtown, which was fourteen miles away. If he had gone to the horse-fair he was bound to come back by the road, and she seated herself on a fallen tree and gazed up and down its winding length in some faint hope that the mystery might be solved ere nightfall. She watched till the sun set and the first star peeped out, and then the hope failed her, and with a sudden despair she threw herself down by the trunk of the tree, and fell to crying in woeful fashion, with her face hidden in her arms.

Her sobs drowned her to all other sounds, and only when a hand touched her shoulder did she start and look up. A faint cry escaped her lips. The blood rushed from her heart to her brow, and mantled cheeks and throat with rosy glow.

"Oh, Mark, Mark!" she cried, and then seized his hands, and held them to her breast, laughing and sobbing in one breath. "I thought you were dead, or had left us!" she cried. "Oh, where have you been? Why did you frighten me so?"

"Frighten me?" his voice trembled. "Why? did you care—really—whether I went or stayed?"

"Conceal. I was anxious," she stammered, in increasing confusion. "We were all anxious. Your mother—"

"Did my mother cry as you were crying, Mavis; or was it for someone else those tears were shed?"

She could find no words now, but the sweet confusion of her face was very eloquent. He drew her down to the fallen trunk and seated himself beside her.

"You made me very unhappy yesterday, but I had no idea of so swift a retaliation. What made you think I had gone away, Mavis?"

"I don't know. Only the time seemed so long and—"

"I only went to the horse fair," he said. "Started last night, and spent the day in Muirtown. It never struck me that my absence would call a tear to those pretty eyes. I thought you would not even miss me, Mavis, so long as your sweetheart—"

"My—what?" she demanded.

"Isn't he your sweetheart—that young Sorel? Then for whom did you seek the charm of the yarrow, Mavis?"

She laughed then. Peal upon peal. Such sweet happy laughter, that it did his heart good to hear it.

"For whom?—Why, Mark, that was pure foolishness, naught else. I heard the maids talking of it, and I thought I would try."

"And 'twas for no one in particular?"

"No one."

"Then of whom did you dream, sweetheart, for I'll be bound the weed was under your pillow, as the writing said."

"The writing—how could you know about that, Mark?"

"Because I found it on poor John's grave where you had dropped it. And when I saw you with the Squire's son I thought surely it was for him you had tried the charm—and Well, I was rude enough to you last night, my pretty, and sulky too, and as I wasn't wanted, why I just left you to your charms and your sweetheart, and that's all."

Again she laughed, but softly, and with a little tremor in her sweet notes.

"Ah, Mavis, tell me. I'm so rough and coarse compared to you, and I've not been good, as your pure soul counts goodness, and yet when I saw you by the gate under all my life seemed to change, and now it's so much yours that you're just to take or leave it as seems best, for I can't help myself."

"Poor Mark," she sighed softly, looking with dewy eyes at the earnest, sunburnt face, pale and anxious now.

"Poor indeed, if you care naught for him, but rich beyond this world's treasures if one of those tears meant a little pity, a little love for the wanderer, Mavis."

"Oh, I don't know what they meant. Only I was so afraid something had happened and the house seemed so lonely, so different."

"Ah, Mavis, that is the best news I've heard since I came home, for to miss me you must care . . . and for you to care—tell me, dear one, you're sure you did not dream of me that morning with the yarrow under your pillow?"

"I dreamt of no one, Mark, for one good and sufficient reason. I did not sleep."

"Then—"

"The charm counted for naught," she said demurely. "I did not sleep because I was thinking—all the time."

"Of whom—not of me? Why you never spoke."

"It may not have been of you," she said, and laughed into his face for very happiness. "But it certainly was of someone I had left standing by the lych-gate."

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LONDON	GLAUCUS	Brit. str.	2 m.	C. L. Daniel	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 24th inst.
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LONDON	DEUCALION	Brit. str.	2 m.	C. L. Daniel	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 7th January.
LONDON	PELEUS	Brit. str.	2 m.	C. L. Daniel	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 21st January.
LONDON	STENTOR	Brit. str.	2 m.	C. L. Daniel	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 4th February.
LONDON	IDOMENEUS	Brit. str.	2 m.	C. L. Daniel	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 18th February.
LONDON	ALAX	Brit. str.	2 m.	C. L. Daniel	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 25th January.
LIVERPOOL DIRECT	PATROCLUS	Brit. str.	2 m.	C. L. Daniel	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 15th February.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, v. S. POPE, &c.	WAKASA MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.	J. B. Macmillan	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 27th inst., at Daylight.
MARSEILLES, &c., via PORTS OF CALL	YAMBA	Jap. str.	2 m.	Negre	MESSENGERS MARITIMES	On 30th inst., at 1 p.m.
REMEN, via PORTS OF CALL	KONIG ALBERT	Ger. str.	2 m.	C. Polack	MESSENGERS & CO.	On 24th inst.
HAYRE & HAMBURG	SERBA	Ger. str.	2 m.	Brehmer	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 4th January.
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HAYRE & HAMBURG	SAMBA	Ger. str.	2 m.	Schmidt	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 12th February.
NEW YORK via SUEZ CANAL	AMERICA	Ger. str.	2 m.	Duckstein	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 26th February.
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VICTORIA, B.C., & TACOMA via SHANGHAI, &c.	ABAMA	Brit. str.	1 m.	Shevan, T. & Co.	Shevan, T. & Co.	On or about 27th inst.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE via SHANGHAI, &c.	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	2 m.	R. Archibald, R.N.R.	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 15th January, at Noon.
PORTLAND OREGON	TARTAR	Brit. str.	2 m.	E. Beetham	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 29th January.
SAN DIEGO, &c., via MOJI, &c.	TACOMA	Brit. str.	4 m.	A. Dixon	DODWELL & CO. LIMITED	To-day.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	LYO MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.	S. J. G. Parsons	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 30th inst., at 4 p.m.
YOKOHAMA	INDRAVELLI	Brit. str.	2 m.	W. E. Craven, R.N.R.	ALLAN CAMERON	On 28th inst.
YOKOHAMA, via SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	THYRA	Brit. str.	2 m.	E. W. Haswell	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 28th inst.
MOJI	MAHANO MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.	St. John George	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 2nd Jan., at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	ALBIS	Brit. str.	2 m.	Mitchell	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	On 9th January, at Noon.
SHANGHAI & CHINKIANG	FAUSANG	Brit. str.	2 m.	E. Spicer, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-day, at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI	SHANGHAI	Brit. str.	4 m.	E. Spicer, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On or about 30th inst.
FOOCHOW via SWATOW & AMOY	KAWACHI MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.	J. S. Thompson	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 24th inst., at Daylight.
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AMOY	WHAMPOA	Brit. str.	2 m.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day.
AMOY	BENGAL	Brit. str.	2 m.	A. L. Valentini	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On or about 21st inst.
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Dec. 20, HAITAN, British str., 1,183, J. S. Roach, Foochow, Amoy and Swatow 19th Dec., General—DOUGLAS LARPAK & Co.
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Dec. 20, HITUNG, British str., 1,590, P. M. B. Loke, Manila 17th Dec., Ballast—JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.
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Peiyang, German str., for Saigon.

DEPARTURES.

20th December.
ACARA, British str., for Singapore.
ANTONIO MACLEOD, Am. str., for Manila.
BENCULUTIA, British str., for Shanghai.
FORMOSA, British str., for Swatow.
HANYANG, British str., for Canton.
IZUMI MARU, Japanese str., for Bombay.
MAGREW, German str., for Hongkong.
MARIA VALENTINE, Austrian str., for Yokohama.
PARKING, British str., for Shanghai.
SEISUO MARU, Japanese str., for Kobe.
TAISANG, British str., for Shanghai.
WU, British str., for Chinkiang.
YAWATA MARU, Japanese str., for Nagasaki.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

20th December.
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COSMOPOLITAN DOCK—Taichang, Yuen-sang.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The American steamer Victoria, from Tacoma 20th inst., had rough weather to Japan since then.
The British steamer Loongang, from Manila 17th inst., had fresh N.E. monsoon, moderate sea and overcast weather.
The British steamer Telemachus, from Saigon 14th inst., had fine weather to Peking; thence to port strong monsoon, high head sea and overcast rainy weather.
The British steamer Glenek, from Singapore 19th inst., had fresh monsoon and corresponding sea from Singapore to lat. 8 N.; thence to port strong monsoon and high sea.
The British steamer Lennox, from Amoy 10th inst., had fresh monsoon from Shanghai to Foochow, moderate to Amoy, and strong from Amoy to Hongkong; moderate sea, cloudy, fair generally.

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YOKOHAMA, SHANGHAI, About 30th, Freight or Passage.
MOJI and KOBE, E. Spicer, R.N.R., December.
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VESSELS ON THE BERTH

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FROM		OUTWARDS.	STEAMERS	DATE
GLASGOW	and LIVERPOOL	"STENTOR"	.....	On 26th December.
GLASGOW	and LIVERPOOL	"MEMNON"	.....	On 3rd January.
GLASGOW	and LIVERPOOL	"IDOMENEUS"	.....	On 8th January.
GLASGOW	and LIVERPOOL	"TANTALUS"	.....	On 18th January.
GLASGOW	and LIVERPOOL	"AJAX"	.....	On 22nd January.
GLASGOW	and LIVERPOOL	"PYRRHUS"	.....	On 31st January.
FOR		HOMEWARDS.	STEAMERS	DATE
LONDON	.....	"GLAUCUS"	.....	On 24th December.
LONDON	.....	"DEUCALION"	.....	On 7th January.
LONDON	.....	"PELEUS"	.....	On 21st January.
LONDON	.....	"STENTOR"	.....	On 4th February.
LONDON	.....	"IDOMENEUS"	.....	On 18th February.
LONDON	.....	"AJAX"	.....	On 4th March.
LIVERPOOL DIRECT	.....	"PATROCLUS"	.....	On 20th January.
(Taking Cargo at London Rates)				
LIVERPOOL DIRECT	.....	"TANTALUS"	.....	On 15th February.
(Taking Cargo at London Rates)				
E.S. "STENTOR" left SINGAPORE on 20th inst. at daylight, and is due in Hong-kong on 26th inst.				

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MOJI	"DEVONSHIRE"	On 21st December.
SHANGHAI	"WHAMPOA"	On 21st December.
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FOR	STEAMERS	LEAVING
TAMSAI VIA SWATOW	"DAIJIN MARU"	SUNDAY, 22nd December.
TAMSAI VIA SWATOW	"DAIGI MARU"	SUNDAY, 29th December.
ANPING VIA SWATOW	"MAIDZURU MARU"	WEDNESDAY, 25th December.
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Hongkong, 19th December, 1901.

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THE Steamship

"BABELSBERG."
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Hongkong, 19th December, 1901.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship

"ARRATON APGAR."
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FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

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Captain Bennett, will be despatched as above on or about 27th December.

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Hongkong, 20th December, 1901.

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THE Undersigned GENERAL AGENTS

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Hongkong, 4th August, 1897.

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COMPAGNIE DES MESSEAGERIES
MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS-POSTES FRANÇAIS.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN, EGYPT,
MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN
AND BLACK SEA PORTS.
LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX.

PORTS OF BRAZIL AND RIVER PLATE.
ON MONDAY, the 30th December, 1901,
at 1 P.M., the Company's Steamship
"YARRA," Captain Negro, with Mails, Passengers, Specie and Cargo, will leave this port for MARSEILLES via BOMBAY.

This Steamship connects at COLOMBO with the s.s. "Polynezie" which vessel takes on her Passengers and Mails leaving that port on the 11th January, 1902, direct to Suez, Port Said and Marseilles.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M. Specie and Parcels until 3 P.M. on the 29th December. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.) Contents and Value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

P. DE CHAMPMORIN,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1901.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling at Port Darwin and Queensland Ports, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

THE Steamship

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Captain St. John George, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 9th January, 1902, at Noon.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provision, Ice, &c. throughout the voyage.

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GIBB LIVINGSTON & CO.,
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Hongkong, 17th December, 1901.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

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STEAMSHIP "ROSETTA MARU."

FROM YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOJI.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for Counter-signature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 17th December, 1901.

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

STEAMSHIP "OLYMPIA."

FROM HONOLULU, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, AND SHANGHAI.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,
Agents.

Hongkong, 14th December, 1901.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer

"PATROCLUS"

are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged into Craft, and/or landed at the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., in both cases it will be at Consignees' risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown on and after the 20th instant.

Optional Cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival. Goods undelivered after the 24th instant will be subject to rent. All damaged Goods must be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined at 11 A.M. on the 24th inst.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 17th December, 1901.

STEAMSHIP "INDUS."

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London and Havre, ex s.s. "Cambodge," and Bordeaux, ex s.s. "Ville de Rochefort," in connection with above Steamers, are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuable, are being landed and stored at their risk in the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Options! Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before 4 P.M., TO-DAY, the 18th inst., requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be counter-signed by the Undersigned. Goods remaining undelivered after MONDAY, the 23rd instant, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 2nd inst., or they will not be recognized.

All damaged packages will be examined on MONDAY, the 23rd inst., at 8 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

P. DE CHAMPMORIN,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 18th December, 1901.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL AND STRAITS.

THE Company's Steamship

"PAKLING,"
having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Godowns of the Godown Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 24th instant, at Noon, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

All damaged packages must be left in the Godowns, and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the vessel's arrival here, after which no claims will be recognized.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before Noon, TO-DAY, the 18th inst.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 18th December, 1901.

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "BENGLOU."

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk in the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 22nd inst., will be subject to rent.

All claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 31st inst., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 21st inst., at 11 A.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be counter-signed by GIBB LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 16th December, 1901.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM TRIESTE, FIUME, PORT SAID, ADEN, BOMBAY, COLOMBO, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"MARIA VALERIE."

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk in the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, whence delivery may be obtained.

This vessel brings Cargo—
From Venice, ex s.s. "Nietovich" transhipped at Trieste.

Optional Cargo will be discharged here, unless notice to the contrary be given immediately.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the Office of the Undersigned before Noon, on the 24th of December, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 24th of December will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be counter-signed by SANDER, WIELE & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 17th December, 1901.

FROM HAMBURG, ANTWERP, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE H.A.L. Steamship

"SAMBIA"

Captain Schmidt, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon, TO-DAY, the 14th inst.

Any Cargo impeding their discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 21st inst., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 21st inst., at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE,
Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 14th December, 1901.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer

"PELEUS"

are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged into Craft, and/or landed at the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., in both cases it will be at Consignees' risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown on and after the 17th inst.

Optional cargo will be landed unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival. Goods undelivered after the 21st instant will be subject to rent. All damaged Goods must be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined at 11 A.M. on the 23rd instant.

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BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
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Hongkong, 14th December, 1901.

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